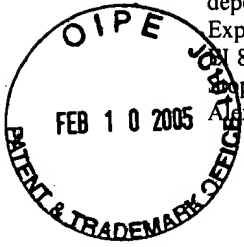


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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated November 15, 2004, of the Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1-23.

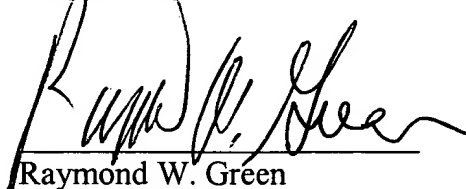
The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. ☐ An extension of time to respond to the final rejection was granted on \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ month(s).

2. ☐ A timely response to the final rejection has been filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
3. ☐ Fee \$500.00 Other than a Small Entity
- ☐ Enclosed
- ☒ Not required (Fee paid in prior appeal)
- ☐ Charge to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (One additional copy of this Notice enclosed herewith)
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Dated: February 10, 2005

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